



## Small holder farmers receive training on groundnut production and VSLA concept

**Randomly sampled items tested for aflatoxin by the Consumers' Foundation are displayed at a news conference in Taipei yesterday.**

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According to him, Cashew production and beekeeping are becoming viable economic ventures capable of redefining the destinies of communities and empowering rural farmers to be self-dependent.

Beneficiary farmers expressed gratitude to UNDP for funding the interventions, which they describe as timely and worthwhile.

They pledge to make effective and good use of the project to enhance their livelihoods whilst encouraging UNDP to expand the intervention to reach more farmers.

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